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Mr. Richard D. Marriott
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Dear Richard:

Thank you very much for your efforts in securing the Tatsfield recordings of jamming signals. I have passed on the additional information contained in your letter to 

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I am afraid that we have all run off in opposite directions in this matter, probably because of the greatly increased attention to Soviet jamming in recent weeks. I assure you that I will try to keep further inquiries and requests in proper channels in order to avoid duplication and waste effort.

Sincerely,



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Sam Allen

In further reference to your letter of 9th December, I am sending you under separate cover recordings made by Tatsfield of the various jamming signals as you requested. I understand, though I have no means of playing them back here, that these recordings are self-explanatory - in other words, that the signals are prefaced by an explanation. I hope this gives you what you want but if there are any queries no doubt you will let me know.

With regard to the query in the second paragraph of your letter, I am informed that the "attention signal" usually consists of dashes or the letter "T" in morse, sent at rapid intervals on an unjammed BBC frequency. Our receiving station at Tatsfield believes this to be the signal for rousing or informing the jamming station whose job it is to jam this particular frequency.

I am asked to inform you that Dr. Raymond, who was introduced to the BBC by Mr. Martin at the American Embassy, and who told us that the initial request for these recordings came from himself, visited Tatsfield after your letter was received, and a copy of these recordings has gone to him separately. There has been in all this matter a certain amount of duplication, and I am sure that in the future you will do all you can to ensure that approaches to the BBC on behalf of the American Government are centralised at one point. Otherwise there is bound to be a certain amount of confusion, which is particularly unfortunate when the matters are secret or are related to things that are secret.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Hannant